

# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **August 13, 2002**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **6**

CONSENT: **X**

REGULAR:

CLOSED SESSION:

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

(Confidential)

ITEM TITLE: **Office of Emergency Medical Services – Consolidated Grants Program Award**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Appropriate \$14,400 to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund, with resources of \$7,168 from the Virginia office of Emergency Services, and \$7,232 from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies to purchase four (4) Zoll semi-automatic defibrillators.

**SUMMARY:** The Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services periodically awards grant funding to assist career and volunteer EMS agencies in obtaining/maintaining emergency vehicles and equipment; providing EMS management, leadership, and advanced life support training; and achieving other goals that support the enhancement of citizen and community EMS services. This grant award is a continuation of such endeavors.

The purchase of four (4) Zoll semi-automatic defibrillators will allow the replacement of a like number of older defibrillator units from first line service . Semi-automatic defibrillators provide guidance to the user during the provision of CPR related services, and thus this type of defibrillator is easier to use and requires less training. These units are typically utilized by engine company personnel.

PRIOR ACTION(S): Finance and Planning Committee on August 6, 2002

FISCAL IMPACT: The purchase of these semi-automatic defibrillators, while necessitating a one time expenditure of \$7,232, will enhance Fire Department emergency medical services by allowing the replacement of older, less versatile, units. Additionally, repair costs associated with these older units should be reduced.

CONTACT(S): Department Head – Cecil V. Martinette, Jr., Fire Chief (847-1564)  
Staff contact – William G. McChesney – Fire Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S): Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED That \$14,400 is appropriated to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund, with resources in the amount of \$7,168 from the Virginia Office of Emergency Services, and \$7,232 from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies, to purchase four (4) Zoll semi-automatic defibrillators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Financial Services Director is authorized to make such temporary loans from the General Fund to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund as are necessary to fund this grant.

Introduced:

Adopted:

Certified:

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Clerk of Council

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